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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: MOPS, BC, RH

SUBJECT: CLASH AT KAZANGULA

REF: GABORONE 1799

1. THE FOLLOWING SECOND PRESS RELEASE WAS ISSUED BY THE
OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT ON THE MORNING OF AUGUST 10, 1977:

QUOTE: THE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT HAS ISSUED A FURTHER
STATEMENT REGARDING THE ATTACK AT KAZUNGULA. IT IS NOW KNOWN
THAT THE STRENGTH OF THE REBEL FORCES WHICH ATTACKED THE
BOTSWANA DEFENSE FORCE AT KAZUNGULA WAS APPROXIMATELY 150
MEN. THEY USED TROOP CARRIERS, ARMoured CARS, HEAVY AND
LIGHT WEAPONS.

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THE FIRST EXCHANGE OF FIRE BETWEEN THE REBEL FORCES AND
THE BDF LASTED FOR 45 MINUTES WHEN BDF FIRING CAUSED
FIRE ON THE RHODESIAN SIDE, FORCING THE RHODESIANS TO
WITHDRAW TEMPORARILY.

THE SECOND ATTACK, WHICH LASTED FOR 20 MINUTES,
STARTED WHEN THE REBELS RE-GROUPED AND LAUNCHED ANOTHER
ATTACK ON THE BDF. AGAIN, THE BDF RETURNED FIRE FORC-

ING THE RHODESIANS TO WITHDRAW FOR THE SECOND TIME.

THERE ARE NO CASUALTIES ON THE BDF SIDE.
END QUOTE.

2. NOTE THAT SITE OF CLASH IS FIXED AS KAZANGULA, NOT
KASANE AS REPORTED IN FIRST PRESS RELEASE (REFTEL).
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